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Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as follows:

Page 19, line 9 (of claim 10), delete "11.".

Please re-number claims 12-17 as 11-16, respectively.

Re-numbered claim 12 (previously claim 13), line 1,
replace "11" with --10--.

Re-numbered claim 14 (previously claim 15), line 1,
replace "13" with --12--.

Re-numbered claim 16 (previously claim 17), line 1,
replace "15" with --14--.

The above amendments to the claims are being made in order to correct a typographical error in the numbering of the claims and to adjust the dependency respective to the correction in numbering.

Figure 1. The effect of the concentration of the *Agrobacterium* strain on the transformation efficiency of *Agrobacterium* strain 1024. The *Agrobacterium* strain 1024 was cultured in the YEA medium for 24 h and then the cell concentration was adjusted to 1.0 × 10⁸ cells/ml. The cell suspension was mixed with the cell suspension of the *Agrobacterium* strain 1024 at the concentration of 1.0 × 10⁸ cells/ml. The mixture was then transformed into the *Agrobacterium* strain 1024. The transformation efficiency was determined by the number of transformants per 10⁸ cells. The results are shown in the figure. The error bars represent the standard deviation.

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